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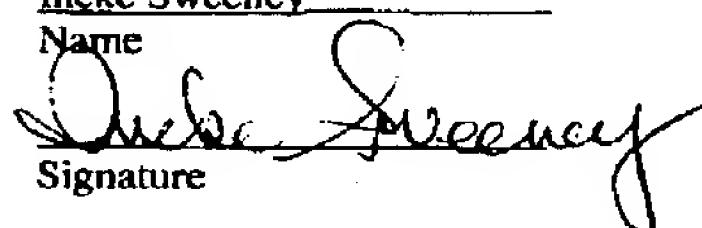
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Application No.:	:	09/905,274
Applicants	:	Clifford T. Papsdorf, et al.
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Title	:	A CONTINUOUS IN-LINE PLEATING APPARATUS AND PROCESS
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**REPLY TO 1<sup>ST</sup> OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111(b)**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

In response to the Office Action of January 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

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